

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY	DOCKET NO. RPU-02-2
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ORDER GRANTING MOTION AND EXTENDING FILING DEADLINES

(Issued June 27, 2002)

On March 15, 2002, MidAmerican Energy Company (MidAmerican) filed with the Utilities Board (Board) proposed tariffs, identified as Docket Nos. TF-02-115 and TF-02-116. In TF-02-115, MidAmerican is proposing a temporary increase that would produce additional revenue of approximately \$20.4 million. In TF-02-116, MidAmerican is proposing a permanent annual revenue increase of approximately \$26.6 million, or an overall annual revenue increase of 4.3 percent. This represents an average increase of 8.4 percent for residential customers on MidAmerican's East System and an average increase of 4.6 percent on MidAmerican's West System

The Board issued an order on April 3, 2002, docketing the proposed tariffs and establishing a procedural schedule for the filing of prefiled testimony. The prefiled direct testimony of the Consumer Advocate Division of the Department of Justice (Consumer Advocate) and other intervenors was scheduled to be filed on June 24, 2002. On June 24, 2002, Consumer Advocate and MidAmerican (Joint Movants) filed a joint motion to hold the procedural schedule in abeyance. Joint Movants

indicate that they are engaged in negotiations to resolve issues concerning the allocation of revenue requirement and rate design. Joint Movants state that Deere & Company and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, AFL-CIO Local 109, do not object to the motion and that they were unable to contact Mr. Keith Meyers, Interstate Power and Light Company, and Northern Natural Gas Company. Joint Movants indicate that Archer Daniels Midland Company, Tyson Foods, and Ag Processing Inc. do not support the motion.

The Board will grant the motion but only for a specific period of time. The procedural schedule was established based upon the Board's statutory responsibility to issue a decision within ten months from the date of the application. The Board will extend the procedural schedule for filing prefiled testimony to allow an opportunity for settlement and will reschedule the filing of prefiled testimony to enable the Board to fulfill its statutory responsibility if a settlement is not reached.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

The procedural schedule in this docket is modified as set out below:

- a. The Consumer Advocate Division of the Department of Justice and any intervenors shall file prepared direct testimony, with the underlying workpapers and exhibits, on or before July 12, 2002. If a party references a data request in its prepared testimony, the data request shall be filed as an exhibit.

b. If Consumer Advocate and any intervenors find it necessary to file testimony in rebuttal to each other's direct testimony, they may file rebuttal testimony on or before July 26, 2002.

c. MidAmerican Energy Company shall file its rebuttal testimony, with underlying workpapers and exhibits, on or before August 9, 2002.

d. Consumer Advocate and any intervenor shall file rebuttal testimony on any issue raised initially in that party's direct testimony and responded to by another party on or before August 23, 2002.

e. The parties shall file a joint statement of the issues on or before August 29, 2002.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Diane Munns

/s/ Mark O. Lambert

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Executive Secretary

/s/ Elliott Smith

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 27th day of June, 2002.